

VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Village Office Building
1052 MAIN ST.
February 14th, 2022

Mayor Linda M. Clark called the meeting to order at 07:00PM. The pledge to the flag along with prayer, and roll call followed. Council members present: Troy Stewart, Diana Pethtel, Jacob Butsch and John Swindler. Rita Robinett was absent. Six visitors attended the meeting.

Agenda: Stewart moved to approve the agenda, as submitted by the Mayor. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea.

Minutes: Swindler moved to approve the January 10th, 2022 council minutes. Pethtel seconded. All present voted yea.

Financial Report: Stewart moved to waive the approval of the bank reconciliation for the month of January. Pethtel seconded. All present voted yea. Request was made due to the fiscal year 2021 not being closed out. Request for approval will be made at the March 2022 council meeting. The fiscal officer will be reallocating \$8100 from the Parks and Lakes account to the Debt Payment account for the purpose of paying the payments for the village office.

Mayor Updates:

Guest Speaker: Village is setting a meeting up with New Madison on treatment plans for the sewer system. The sewer service agreements are being drawn up. These agreements are to allow the installation of the sewer. Access Engineering will begin visiting properties in mid March to begin gathering info on where to install the system at individual properties. There is another open house style meeting planned for April/May. Brice will be putting together an updated fact sheet for interested individuals. The village is also seeking additional funding to help with the funding of the project. There will be no additional water bill associated with the new sewer system. Brice plans to attend the next council meeting.

Appreciations: Thanks to Rod McNutt and Tim Weidner for their efforts in cleaning and clearing the roads of snow/ice.

Mayor Updates: Village office hours will be on Wednesday evening and Saturday afternoon. For any funds spent from American Rescue Plan funds, there is reporting and recording required for any spending. The village cannot spend the money on whatever it wants without the proper recording and documentation.

Community Group Updates:

E-Bird: Cindy reported the village had 30 bird species spotted in January 2022 with an additional two spotted so far in February 2022. The highest species count for the area is 179 in Shawnee Prairie which was in 2007. Wayne Lakes has had 144 species since 2019 and Cindy has recorded an additional 26 species from before 2019 in her own records. 28 of those species are water fowl and another 28 of those species are warblers.

Village Updates:

Community Building: This is the slow time for rentals for the community building. No rentals yet for 2022.

Zoning: No report given by Curtis Yount

Special Projects: No report given

Open Discussion: There were comments made by Darke County about ice on the roadways in the village. The spreader the village uses to disperse salt on the roadways is quite old. The mayor spoke with Shane at Darke County and the approx. cost of a new salt spreader is \$6000. He also stated there are other options available that would reduce that cost. Troy Stewart requested the village obtain an egg addling permit again this year to help control the goose population.

Council Business:

Fishing Passes: Sales of fishing passes for 2022 have totaled \$28 YTD.

Iroquois Property: The purchase of the Iroquois Property has been completed. The final purchase price of the property was \$8782.40.

Chippewa Lake: The village is working with Gavin at Brumbaugh Construction for plans on the old dam currently in place to help with the planned repairs at Chippewa Lake.

Lawn Mower: The village is exploring the purchase of a new lawn mower. The village would trade in one of the old lawn mowers to help reduce the purchase price.

Tree Trimming: Darke County will be doing the trimming in March this year instead of at the end of the year for 2022.

Requests for Council Approval:

Resolution 2022-02-14-01: This resolution authorizes the mayor and the fiscal officer to enter into an agreement with Bug-a-Boo pest control to provide the fogging for the village for 2022. Stewart made a motion to waive the three readings rule. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea. Pethtel made a motion to adopt the resolution. Stewart seconded. All present voted yea. Pethtel made a motion to declare an emergency. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea.

Council Committee Reports:

Finance: No report given

Lake Management: Most recent meeting was on February 1st. Stewart requested the purchase of an additional seven gallons of sonar to treat the lakes.

Village Maintenance (roads, trees, equipment, buildings): The potholes on Hickory Lane have been patched.

Tree Commission: The tree commission will begin looking for dead trees again now that they will be easier to spot once the trees begin to get leaves again.

Domestic Animal/Wildlife/Littering: No report given

Social Media: No report given

Welcome Packets: There are still packets available in the office if anyone should need one.

Grants: No report given.

Stewart moved to adjourn. Butsch seconded. All present voted yea. Meeting was adjourned at 07:48PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Joshua L. Miller, Assistant Fiscal Officer